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October Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 926 million pounds of milk during October, down 1.0 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 70.8 pounds, up 0.3 pounds from October 2017. The dairy herd was estimated at 422,000 head for October, down 6,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during October totaled 16.9 billion pounds, up 1.0 percent from October 2017. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 62.4 pounds for October, up 1.0 percent from the previous year. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.72 million head, 8,000 head less than October 2017, and 1,000 head less than September 2018.

Milk production, October

Commodity	Michigan			23 Major States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Cows1,000 Hd	422	428	422	8,668	8,731	8,723
Daily rate per cowPounds	69.0	70.5	70.8	61.4	61.7	62.4
ProductionMil lbs	903	935	926	16,504	16,710	16,874